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SUBJECT: IMCAM

REF: SAN JOSE 4312

1. OPIC IMCAM REPRESENTATIVE FOR COSTA RICA IS GRAHAM WILLIAMS. BECAUSE ALL PROGRAM ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE HIS RESPONSIBILITIES ARE TO FACILITATE CONTACTS BETWEEN U.S. COMPANY PARTICIPANTS AND COSTA RICAN BUSINESS LEADERS AND APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. IN ADDITION, HE IS TO PROVIDE FOLLOW-UP LEADERSHIP TO ENSURE THAT ANY JOINT VENTURE ENTHUSIASM WHICH IS DEVELOPED IS MAINTAINED. COUNTRY TEAM ASSISTANCE IN CARRYING OUT THESE RESPONSIBILITIES WILL BE IMPORTANT.

2. WILLIAMS PROPOSES TO ARRIVE SAN JOSE FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, VIA LACSA 621 FROM MIAMI. NOT NECESSARY FOR EMBASSY TO MEET AT AIRPORT, BUT WILLIAMS REQUESTS HOTEL RESERVATIONS AT EUROPA THROUGH NIGHT OF FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, AND AT CARIARI CLUB THEREAFTER DEPARTING THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6. REQUEST QUIET SINGLE ROOM WITH BATH. PLEASE RESERVE SMALL RENT A CAR (WITHOUT DRIVER) MAINLY FOR OFFICIAL BUSINESS SATURDAY

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MORNING, OCTOBER 25, THROUGH LENGTH OF STAY BUT WITH CAN-

CELLATION OPTION.

3. WILLIAMS WOULD LIKE TO MEET ASAP AFTER ARRIVAL WITH APPROPRIATE EMBASSY OFFICER TO DISCUSS AND FURTHER DEVELOP ITINERARY. HE WOULD LIKE EARLY MEETINGS WITH CAMERA DE INDUSTRIA, CENTRO PARA LA PROMOCION DE EXPORTACIONES, CODESA AND OTHER EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS.

4. AS OPIC MANAGER FOR FOOD SECTOR PROJECTS, WILLIAMS HAS HELPED TO ORGANIZE AGRIBUSINESS CONTINGENT WITHIN MISSION GROUP. INFORMAL LEADER OF THIS CONTINGENT WILL BE WAYNE RICHARDSON, JR., PRESIDENT OF ALEXANDER AND BALDWIN AGRIBUSINESS COMPANY. IN ADDITION, ROBERT ROSS, PRESIDENT OF LATIN AMERICAN AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WILL PROVIDE INTRODUCTION TO CENTRAL AMERICAN AGRIBUSINESS AT CARIARI SUNDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 2.

5. OPIC SUPPORTS POLICY REITERATED IN REFTTEL AND IT IS CONSISTENT WITH INVESTMENT APPROACH BEING TAKEN BY AGRIBUSINESS PARTICIPANTS THIS MISSION.

6. OPIC REQUESTS EMBASSY CLEARANCE FOR WILLIAMS' VISIT.
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